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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: EAIR, US, UR, ESTC

SUBJECT: TRANSPORT OF CDC COMPUTER TO SAKHALIN
REF: (A) MOSCOW 3356; (B) MOSCOW 8752
1. RE PROBLEMS OF TRANSPORTING CONTROL DATA CORP. (CDC)
CYBER 172 COMPUTER TO SAKHALIN, COMPANY REPRESENTATIVES
QUERIED BY THE DEPARTMENT INDICATED THAT PRICE DIFFERENCE
BETWEEN AEROFLOT AND ALASKAN AIRLINES IS MINIMAL AND
THAT CDC BELIEVES IL 76 WHICH AERFLOT WOULD PROPOSE TO
USE IS INDEED TECHNICALLY EQUIPPED TO HANDLE THE SHIPMENT.
RE POTENTIAL CDC LIABILITY CAUSED BY IN-TRANSIT DAMAGE,
CDC REPS STATE THE INSURANCE WOULD COVER ANY FINANCIAL
LOSSES. THEY DO NOT APPEAR GREATLY CONCERNED ABOUT POSSIBLE
DELAY IN INSTALLATION. THUS, WHILE CDC WOULD PREFER TO USE
ALASKAN ON BASIS OF LONG CONTACTS, PRIOR ARRANGEMENTS AND
KNOWN CAPABILITY, CDC IS NOT RPT NOT DISPOSED TO CHALLENGE
SOVIETS ON THE MATTER. COMPANY OFFICIALS SUGGESTED THAT
CDC ATTITUDE COULD CHANGE IF CDC PERSONNEL WERE NOT ALLOWED
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TO ACCOMPANY SHIPMENT TO ARRANGE ON-THE-SPOT PROTECTION
AND HANDLING FOR THE SHIPMENT ON AEROFLOT.

2. FYI. RUSSIAN DESIRES FOR THIS PARTICULAR EQUIPMENT
STAND AND FIGHT. HOWEVER, IN VIEW OF CDC'S ATTITUDE, WE ARE
DISPOSED TO AWAIT THE REPLY TO THE EMBASSY'S MARCH 3 LETTER

TO THE MFA BEFORE CONSIDERING ANY FURTHER ACTION.

3. WE SEE NO A PRIORI REASON WHY AEROFLOT SHOULD NOT BE ABLE TO OBTAIN LANDING CLEARANCE IN OAKLAND AND HAVE SO ADVISED CDC.

4. RE QUESTION POSED PARA 5 REF (B), WE ARE UNAWARE OF ANY CARGO CHARACTER FLIGHT APPROVED (OR REQUESTED) FOR DESTINATIONS OTHER MOSCOW. VANCE

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